

Appl No. 09/940,378
Resp. dated May 17, 2006
Reply to Office Action of February 22, 2006

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 3 of page 2 as follows:

The present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application entitled "UNITARY SUBCUTANEOUS ONLY IMPLANTABLE CARDIOVERTER-DEFIBRILLATOR AND OPTIONAL PACER," having Serial No. 09/663,606, filed September 18, 2000, pending now U.S. Pat. No. 6,647,292, and U.S. patent application entitled "UNITARY SUBCUTANEOUS ONLY IMPLANTABLE CARDIOVERTER-DEFIBRILLATOR AND OPTIONAL PACER," having Serial No. 09/663,607, filed September 18, 2000, pending now U.S. Pat. No. 6,721,597, of which both applications are assigned to the assignee of the present application, and the disclosures of both applications are hereby incorporated by reference.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 14 of page 2 as follows:

In addition, the present application is ~~filed concurrently herewith~~ related to U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/940,283, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "DUCKBILL-SHAPED IMPLANTABLE CARDIOVERTER-DEFIBRILLATOR CANISTER AND METHOD OF USE," U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/940,371, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "CERAMICS AND/OR OTHER MATERIAL INSULATED SHELL FOR ACTIVE AND NON-ACTIVE S-ICD CAN," now U.S. Pat. No. 7,039,463, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/940,468, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "SUBCUTANEOUS ELECTRODE FOR TRANSTHORACIC CONDUCTION WITH IMPROVED INSTALLATION CHARACTERISTICS," abandoned, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/941,814, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "SUBCUTANEOUS ELECTRODE WITH IMPROVED CONTACT SHAPE FOR TRANSTHORACIC CONDUCTION," abandoned, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/940,356, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "SUBCUTANEOUS ELECTRODE FOR TRANSTHORACIC CONDUCTION WITH HIGHLY MANEUVERABLE INSERTION TOOL," abandoned, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/940,340, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "SUBCUTANEOUS ELECTRODE FOR TRANSTHORACIC CONDUCTION WITH LOW-PROFILE INSTALLATION APPENDAGE AND METHOD OF DOING SAME," now U.S. Pat. No. 6,937,907, U.S.

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patent application Ser. No. 09/940,287, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "SUBCUTANEOUS ELECTRODE FOR TRANSTHORACIC CONDUCTION WITH INSERTION TOOL," abandoned, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/940,377, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "METHOD OF INSERTION AND IMPLANTATION FOR IMPLANTABLE CARDIOVERTER-DEFIBRILLATOR CANISTERS," now U.S. Pat. No. 6,866,044, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/940,599, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "CANISTER DESIGNS FOR IMPLANTABLE CARDIOVERTER-DEFIBRILLATORS," now U.S. Pat. No. 6,950,705, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/940,373, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "RADIANT CURVED CURVE SHAPED IMPLANTABLE CARDIOVERTER-DEFIBRILLATOR CANISTER," now U.S. Pat. No. 6,788,974, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/940,273, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "CARDIOVERTER-DEFIBRILLATOR HAVING A FOCUSED SHOCKING AREA AND ORIENTATION THEREOF," U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/940,266, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "BIPHASIC WAVEFORM FOR ANTI-TACHYCARDIA PACING FOR A SUBCUTANEOUS IMPLANTABLE CARDIOVERTER-DEFIBRILLATOR," now U.S. Pat. No. 6,856,835, and U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/940,471, filed August 27, 2001 and entitled "POWER SUPPLY FOR [[A]] AN IMPLANTABLE SUBCUTANEOUS IMPLANTABLE CARDIOVERTER-DEFIBRILLATOR," the disclosures of which applications are hereby incorporated by reference.